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SUBJECT: US-MEXICO ENERGY ISSUES

1. DURING COURSE OF WIDE-RANGING DISCUSSION WITH SOME
FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS, ENER-
GETICS COMMISSION (PATRIMONY AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
SEC.) EXEC. SECRETARY JUAN EIBENSCHUTZ WAS ASKED WHAT
MEXICO'S MAJOR ENERGY PROBLEMS WERE WITH THE U.S.

2. EIBENSCHUTZ REPLIED (1) NUCLEAR. HE INDICATED THAT
MEXICAN PROGRAM HAD BEEN TEMPORARILY STOPPED BECAUSE OF
PERCEPTIONS HERE OF POLICIES OF US ADMINISTRATION. HE
EXPECTED, HOWEVER, THAT MEXICO WOULD HAVE A "NUCLEAR
PROGRAM" AGAIN BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR. (2) NEXT,
DOE'S POLICIES ON HYDROCARBON IMPORTS, PARTICULARLY GAS,
WERE OF CONCERN. HE DID NOT CLARIFY THIS MUCH, BUT CITED
HIS CONCERN THAT MATTER HAS NOT BEEN WELL HANDLED ON
MEXICAN SIDE BY PEMEX, PARTICULARLY THAT LATTER WAS DEALING
WITH BOTH POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AND WITH USG. IN
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EIBENSCHUTZ VIEW, FONSEC OR PATRIMONY SEC SHOULD HANDLE
THE GOVERNMENT-LEVEL NEGOTIATIONS.

3. WHEN PRESSED FOR MORE PROBLEMS, EIBENSCHUTZ MENTIONED
THAT 1975/76 OPTIMISTIC ERDA PREDICTIONS ON POTENTIAL
FOR USE OF SOLAR ENERGY HAD CREATED SOME CONFUSION IN
MEXICO. LUCEY

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